

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Katsutomo Terashima et al.

Serial No.: 09/434,024

Filed: November 4, 1999

For: EXCIMER LASER DEVICE AND

GAS FOR EXCIMER DEVICE

Examiner: Calackson

Group Art Uni

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 2023

December 2, 2002

Dear Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are submitted in response to the Official Action mailed July 31, 2002. The Official action mailed July 31, 2002, set forth a three-month period for response, and a one-month extension of time is attached hereto, making a response to one or before November 30, 2002. Since November 30, 2002, was a Saturday, this response can be filed on the following business day, namely, Monday, December 2, 2002.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: